GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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CONFERENCE ON INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES FOR RURAL WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has sponsored a Conference on Innovative Technologies for Rural Water Supply and environmental sanitation with the collaboration of World Bank sponsored Swajal Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the outcome of the Conference?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SMT. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (c). An International Conference on Innovative Technologies for Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation was organised by the Centre for Continuing Education, University of Roorkee, on October 12-13, 2000 at Roorkee. The Conference was sponsored among others by the Department of Drinking Water Supply, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, World Bank sponsored Swajal Project (Uttar Pradesh), All India Council for Technical Education and Central Board of Irrigation & Power, New Delhi.

As per information furnished by the Director of the Centre for Continuing Education, University of Roorkee, about 60 papers were presented in the Conference. About 150 Indian delegates and 15 foreign delegates from Nigeria, Kenya, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Indonesia, Bangladesh, U.K. and representatives of the World Bank participated in the Conference. At the end of two days deliberations and presentation of various papers, Recommendation Committee of the Conference gave a set of recommendations, inter-alia, pertaining to policy, innovative technologies, modern tools, institutional & capacity building and operational aspects of Rural Water Supply and Sanitation.